

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (New) A method for treating a heart valve, the method comprising:

extending a first elongate member through first valve leaflet;

extending a second elongate member through a second valve leaflet; and

drawing the first and second leaflets together,

wherein the first elongate member does not extend through the second valve leaflet.

19. (New) The method of claim 18, wherein the second elongate member does not extend through the first valve leaflet.

20. (New) The method of claim 18, wherein the first and second elongate members are tension members.

21. (New) The method of claim 18, wherein an intermediate structure connects the first and second elongate members.

22. (New) A method for treating a heart valve, the method comprising:

placing a first elongate member in contact with a first valve leaflet so as to reposition the first valve leaflet; and

placing a second elongate member in contact with a second valve leaflet so as to reposition the second valve leaflet,

wherein repositioning the first and second valve leaflets includes drawing the first and second valve leaflets toward each other, and

wherein the first elongate member is not placed in contact with the second valve leaflet.

23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the second elongate member is not placed in contact with the first valve leaflet.

24. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the first and second elongate members are tension members.

25. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein an intermediate structure connects the first and second elongate members.